

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF  
MOUNT WASHINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31  
1938

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BERKSHIRE COURIER PRINT  
Great Barrington, Mass.

# TOWN OFFICERS—1938

## Selectmen

GILBERT ISAACSON                      HOWARD PORTER  
EDWIN HOUGHTALING

## Clerk and Treasurer

P. M. WEAVER

## Assessors

GILBERT ISAACSON                      RUSSELL WHITBECK  
LEWIS HOUGHTALING

## Constable

MERVIN WHITBECK

## School Committee

P. M. WEAVER                      RUSSELL WHITBECK  
MILDRED HOUGHTALING

## Game Warden

MERVIN WHITBECK

## Road Commissioner

GILBERT ISAACSON

## Tax Collector

MERVIN WHITBECK

## Auditor

GEORGE T. HAMILTON

# REPORT OF SELECTMEN

## CHAPTER 81 ROADS

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Paid Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck | \$ 758.00   |
| Edmund Salling, labor,                  | 389.50      |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,         | 48.00       |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,                | 34.00       |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,       | 183.00      |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,         | 665.75      |
| Gilbert Isaacson, superintendent,       | 460.00      |
| William Laragh, labor,                  | 245.00      |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,                   | 24.00       |
| Robert Adams, labor,                    | 8.00        |
| Percy Weaver, labor,                    | 39.00       |
| Raymond Schutt, labor,                  | 8.00        |
| Melvin Schutt, labor,                   | 8.00        |
| Celeste May, gravel,                    | 107.30      |
| Berger Metal Culvert Co., pipe,         | 155.31      |
| Russell Whitbeck, gravel,               | 2.40        |
| Earl VanDeusen, labor and tractor,      | 16.00       |
| Town tractor,                           | 341.25      |
| E. B. Weaver, tools,                    | 7.15        |
| J. B. Keating, tools,                   | 6.00        |
| Henry Ladd, labor,                      | 8.00        |
|   | <hr/>       |
|   | \$ 3,513.66 |

## CHAPTER 90 ROADS—CROSS-ROAD

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid Percy Weaver,                  | \$ 97.00    |
| Celeste May, gravel,                | 93.70       |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 38.00       |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 356.00      |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 426.50      |
| William Laragh, labor,              | 183.00      |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 207.50      |
| Gilbert Isaacson, superintendent,   | 274.38      |
| Town tractor,                       | 21.00       |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 60.00       |
| Howard Porter, labor,               | 2.00        |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 2.00        |
| Mountain Sand & Gravel Co.,         | 1.38        |
| Taconic Supply Co.,                 | 3.75        |
| New England Metal Culvert Co.,      | 134.48      |
|                                     | <hr/>       |
|                                     | \$ 1,900.69 |

### LIBRARY

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Paid Womrath Bookshops,     | \$ 3.92  |
| Great Barrington Book Shop, | 19.98    |
| Nellie Hunt,                | 10.62    |
|                             | <hr/>    |
|                             | \$ 34.52 |

### OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Paid City of Worcester, | \$ 84.84 |
|-------------------------|----------|

### CHAPTER 90 ROADS—FALLS ROAD

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid Ezra Whitbeck, labor,          | \$ 124.00   |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 228.00      |
| Earl VanDeusen, labor,              | 135.00      |
| H. B. McLain, labor,                | 60.00       |
| Raymond Schutt, labor,              | 134.50      |
| Henry Ladd, labor,                  | 150.50      |
| Melvin Schutt, labor,               | 142.50      |
| Oscar Grahn, labor,                 | 20.00       |
| Robert Adams, labor,                | 118.50      |
| William Laragh, labor,              | 42.00       |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 353.00      |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 68.00       |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 80.00       |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,     | 152.00      |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 88.50       |
| Celeste May, gravel,                | 17.70       |
| Russell Whitbeck, gravel,           | 17.50       |
| D. Lewis, shovel,                   | 1,209.85    |
| Tractor,                            | 12.00       |
| Gilbert Isaacson, superintendent,   | 130.00      |
|                                     | <hr/>       |
|                                     | \$ 3,283.55 |

### WELFARE

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Paid City of Worcester for 1937 and 1938, | \$ 531.47 |
|---|-----------|

### TOWN OFFICERS

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Paid George Hamilton, auditor,                    | \$ 10.00 |
| Howard Porter, stock inspector,                   | 10.00    |
| William Hunt, tax collector, 1937,                | 100.00   |
| Mervin Whitbeck, tax collector, 1936, 1937 taxes, | 25.00    |
| Russell Whitbeck, school committee,               | 10.00    |
| Russell Whitbeck, assessor,                       | 50.00    |
| Mildred Houghtaling, school committee,            | 10.00    |
| Edwin Houghtaling, selectman,                     | 40.00    |

### TOWN OFFICERS (Continued)

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Paid Lewis Houghtaling, assessor,             | \$ 47.50  |
| Howard Porter, fire warden,                   | 5.00      |
| Howard Porter, selectman,                     | 40.00     |
| Percy Weaver, town clerk,                     | 75.00     |
| Percy Weaver, treasurer,                      | 75.00     |
| Percy Weaver, school committee,               | 10.00     |
| Percy Weaver, sealer of weights and measures, | 5.00      |
| Mervin Whitbeck, game warden,                 | 25.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, constable,                   | 10.50     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, tax collector, 1938,         | 125.00    |
| Gilbert Isaacson, assessor,                   | 50.00     |
| Gilbert Isaacson, selectman,                  | 50.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, dog officer,                 | 5.00      |
| H. B. McLain, ballot clerk,                   | 1.25      |
| William Laragh, ballot clerk, ,               | 1.25      |
| Ellen Whitbeck, ballot clerk,                 | 1.25      |
| Mary Porter, ballot clerk,                    | 1.25      |
| Lewis Houghtaling, meat inspector,            | 7.00      |
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|   | \$ 790.00 |

### EMERGENCY ACCOUNT

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Paid Davol Printing House, assessors' blanks, | \$ 4.20   |
| Wright & Frein, insurance for schools,        | 53.20     |
| Gilbert Isaacson, freight on road signs,      | 3.77      |
| Peter Hagen, town reports,                    | 56.06     |
| Thomas Groom, selectmen's book,               | 3.02      |
| Berkshire Health Unit,                        | 32.00     |
| Hobbs & Warren, assessors' book,              | 14.20     |
| J. Francis Dyer, books,                       | 6.00      |
| Ecclesiastical Society, rent of shed,         | 4.03      |
| Hobbs & Warren, licenses,                     | 2.89      |
| Berkshire Courier, tax bills,                 | 23.00     |
| Thomas Conneally,                             | 2.00      |
| Joslyn & Jones, town safe,                    | 20.00     |
| Berkshire Courier, paper,                     | 5.75      |
| Collins Miles, care of town hall,             | 15.04     |
| Berkshire Courier, paper,                     | 6.75      |
| Emma Isaacson, garage rent,                   | 5.00      |
| Howard Porter, yard for pound,                | 1.00      |
| Gilbert Isaacson, postage and freight,        | 6.22      |
| Percy Weaver, town officers sworn,            | 7.50      |
| Percy Weaver, postage and paper,              | 6.00      |
|   | <hr/>     |
|   | \$ 277.63 |

SNOW FENCE

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, labor,       | \$ 16.75 |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,     | 10.00    |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 30.00    |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 20.00    |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 15.00    |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 10.00    |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 6.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 17.50    |
| William Laragh, labor,              | 12.00    |
| Percy Weaver, labor,                | 7.50     |

\$ 144.75

WINTER RUTTING

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, labor, | \$ 38.00 |
| Norman Melius, labor,         | 34.00    |
| Edmund Salling, labor,        | 30.00    |
| Howard Porter, labor,         | 4.00     |
| Tractor,                      | 84.00    |

\$ 190.00

BONDS FOR TOWN OFFICERS

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Paid Wright & Frein, | \$ 33.75 |
|----------------------|----------|

CARE OF CEMETERIES

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Paid Russell Whitbeck, | \$ 15.00 |
|------------------------|----------|

RAILINGS AND BRIDGES

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid E. B. Weaver, nails and oil,   | \$ 4.40 |
| T. B. Keating Co., paint and oil,   | 13.74   |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,            | 20.50   |
| Howard Porter, labor,               | 37.00   |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 39.00   |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 39.00   |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor,             | 35.00   |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 49.00   |
| Norman Melius, labor,               | 12.00   |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 15.00   |
| Merritt B. Heady, plank,            | 40.00   |

\$ 304.64

SNOW AND SANDING

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Paid Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | \$ 49.50 |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,          | 42.25    |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,                 | 64.50    |

SNOW AND SANDING (Continued)

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Ezra Whitbeck, labor,        | \$ 12.75 |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,          | 14.75    |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck, | 45.75    |
| Edmund Salling, labor,            | 7.75     |
| William Laragh, labor,            | 7.50     |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,   | 61.00    |
| Charles May, sand,                | 5.00     |
| Tractor,                          | 131.25   |

\$ 442.00

MACHINERY FUND

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, December 31, 1937,     | \$ 947.80 |
| Received from Chapter 81 roads, | 341.25    |
| Received from Chapter 90 roads, | 33.00     |
| Received from snow,             | 131.25    |
| Received from winter rutting,   | 84.00     |
| Received from Dwight Hosford,   | 7.00      |

\$ 1,544.30

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Expenses for gas, oil and labor, | 169.66 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

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|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Balance, December 31, 1938, | \$ 1,374.64 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|

TOTAL ORDERS DRAWN ON TREASURER

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Chapter 81 roads,            | \$ 3,513.66 |
| Chapter 90, cross-road,      | 1,900.69    |
| Chapter 90, Falls road,      | 3,283.55    |
| Winter rutting,              | 190.00      |
| Town officers,               | 790.00      |
| Emergency account,           | 277.63      |
| Schools,                     | 3,700.74    |
| Machinery fund,              | 169.66      |
| Bonds,                       | 33.75       |
| Dog licenses,                | 73.20       |
| Snow-fence,                  | 144.75      |
| Snow and sanding,            | 442.00      |
| Library,                     | 34.52       |
| Cemeteries,                  | 15.00       |
| Wildcat bounty,              | 10.00       |
| Old-age pension.             | 84.84       |
| Welfare,                     | 531.47      |
| County tax,                  | 414.13      |
| State tax,                   | 510.00      |
| Auditing municipal accounts, | 20.77       |

TOTAL ORDERS (Continued)

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| State parks and reservations, | \$ 4.73      |
| Veterans' exemption,          | 1.22         |
| Excise tax abatement,         | 14.85        |
| Reserve fund,                 | 225.22       |
| Tax demands,                  | 8.40         |
| Railings and bridges,         | 304.64       |
| Total expenses for 1938,      | \$ 16,699.22 |

RECEIPTS AND CASH ON HAND

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Received from tax collector, 1938 general tax, | \$ 4,166.78 |
| Tax collector, 1937 general tax,               | 848.42      |
| Tax collector, 1936 general tax,               | 3.78        |
| Tax collector, 1935 general tax,               | .50         |
| Interest on general tax,                       | 30.80       |
| Excise tax, 1938,                              | 201.60      |
| Excise tax, 1937,                              | 68.66       |
| Excise tax, 1936,                              | 28.03       |
| Interest on excise tax,                        | 4.40        |
| Tax demands,                                   | 8.40        |
| Peddler's license refund,                      | 3.00        |
| Dog tax,                                       | 73.20       |
| Gasoline license,                              | 2.00        |
| Victuallers' and inn-keepers' licenses,        | 12.50       |
| Chapter 81, 1937,                              | 1,074.00    |
| Chapter 90, 1937,                              | 600.00      |
| Chapter 500, 1938,                             | 150.00      |
| Chapter 81, 1938,                              | 2,075.54    |
| Chapter 90, 1938,                              | 525.65      |
| School superintendent refund,                  | 188.85      |
| High school transportation,                    | 589.40      |
| Tax reimbursement on state property,           | 95.96       |
| Animal inspection,                             | 5.00        |
| Aid to industrial independent schools,         | 10.24       |
| Income tax,                                    | 505.71      |
| Schools, part two,                             | 735.05      |
| Corporation tax,                               | 24.40       |
| Income tax, section 4,                         | 3.05        |
| Dog tax refund,                                | 49.92       |
| Wildcat bounty,                                | 10.00       |
| Sealer of weights and measures,                | 1.10        |
| Town officers' bonds transfer,                 | 3.75        |
| Machinery fund,                                | 596.50      |
| Town hall rental,                              | 41.00       |

RECEIPTS (Continued)

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Received from school fund from savings bank,     | \$ 61.72     |
| Library,   | 2.12         |
| Town officers' salaries, transfer,               | 90.00        |
| Welfare, transfer,                               | 131.47       |
| Total receipts for 1938,                         | \$ 13,022.50 |
| Balance in treasury, January 1, 1938,            | 3,682.71     |
| Total balance,                                   | \$ 16,705.21 |
| Total expenses for 1938,                         | 16,699.22    |
| Balance in treasury, January 1, 1939,            | \$ 5.99      |
| Due on Chapter 81 roads, from state,             | \$ 924.46    |
| Due on Chapter 90 roads, from state and county,  | 1,974.35     |
| Due on Chapter 90 roads, Falls road, from state, | 2,183.55     |
| Balance for 1939,                                | \$ 5,088.35  |

Respectfully submitted,  
 GILBERT ISAACSON,  
 HOWARD PORTER,  
 EDWIN HOUGHTALING,  
 Selectmen of Mount Washington, Mass.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real estate valuation, \$194,401.00.  
 Personal, \$23,000.00.  
 Number of polls, 21.  
 Tax rate, 1938, \$23.00 on \$1,000.00.  
 Number of acres of land, 12,471.  
 Number of dwelling houses, 77.  
 Number of motor vehicles, 36.  
 Number of fowls, 160; number of swine, 2; number of yearlings, 9;  
 number of sheep, 69; number of cows, 24; number of horses, 13.

Respectfully submitted,  
 GILBERT ISAACSON,  
 RUSSELL WHITBECK,  
 LEWIS HOUGHTALING,  
 Assessors of Mount Washington, Mass.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

### RECEIPTS

|                       |    |      |
|-----------------------|----|------|
| From cards and fines, | \$ | 2.12 |
| Paid town treasurer,  | \$ | 2.12 |

### EXPENDITURES

|                               |    |       |
|-------------------------------|----|-------|
| Postage,                      | \$ | .42   |
| Miscellaneous,                |    | .20   |
| Librarian's salary,           |    | 10.00 |
| Books purchased (adult),      |    | 19.98 |
| Books purchased (children's), |    | 3.92  |

|                |    |       |
|----------------|----|-------|
| Total,         | \$ | 34.52 |
| Appropriation, | \$ | 35.00 |

Number of catalogued books in library, 1915.  
 Books added to library in 1938: by gift, 68; by purchase, 64.  
 Circulation: fiction, 745; non-fiction, 62; total, 807.  
 Largest circulation in one month (August), 97.  
 Books loaned school, 84. Books borrowed from state, 25.

Respectfully submitted,  
 NELLIE J. HUNT,  
 Librarian.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### RECEIPTS, 1938

|   |    |          |
|---|----|----------|
| From Tax Collector—1938 general tax,      | \$ | 4,166.78 |
| 1937 general tax,                         |    | 848.42   |
| 1936 general tax,                         |    | 3.78     |
| 1935 general tax,                         |    | .50      |
| Interest on general tax,                  |    | 30.80    |
| 1938 excise tax,                          |    | 201.60   |
| 1937 excise tax,                          |    | 68.66    |
| 1936 excise tax,                          |    | 28.03    |
| Interest on excise tax,                   |    | 4.40     |
| Tax demands,                              |    | 8.40     |
| From Town Clerk—peddler's license refund, |    | 3.00     |
| Dog tax,                                  |    | 73.20    |
| Gasoline license,                         |    | 2.00     |
| Victualler's and inn-keeper's license,    |    | 12.50    |
| From State Treasurer—Chapter 81 (1937),   |    | 1,074.00 |
| Chapter 90 (1937),                        |    | 600.00   |
| Chapter 500,                              |    | 150.00   |
| Chapter 81,                               |    | 2,075.54 |
| Chapter 90,                               |    | 525.65   |
| School superintendent refund,             |    | 188.85   |
| High school transportation,               |    | 589.40   |
| Tax reimbursement on state property,      |    | 95.96    |
| Animal inspection,                        |    | 5.00     |
| Aid to industrial independent schools,    |    | 10.24    |
| Income tax, schools, part one,            |    | 505.71   |
| Schools, part two,                        |    | 735.05   |
| Corporation tax,                          |    | 24.40    |
| Income tax, section 4,                    |    | 3.05     |
| From County Treasurer—Dog tax refund,     |    | 49.92    |
| Wildcat bounty,                           |    | 10.00    |
| From sealer of weights and measures,      |    | 1.10     |
| From town officers' bonds (transfer),     |    | 3.75     |
| From machinery fund,                      |    | 596.50   |
| From town hall rental,                    |    | 41.00    |
| From school fund from savings bank,       |    | 61.72    |
| From library,                             |    | 2.12     |
| From town officers' salaries (transfer),  |    | 90.00    |
| From welfare (transfer),                  |    | 131.47   |

\$ 13,022.50

3,682.71

\$ 16,705.21

Balance, January 1, 1939,

PAYMENTS

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Schools,  | \$ 3,700.74  |
| Chapter 81,                                       | 3,513.66     |
| Chapter 90,                                       | 1,900.69     |
| Chapter 90 (Falls road),                          | 3,283.55     |
| Machinery fund,                                   | 145.82       |
| Tractor fund,                                     | 23.84        |
| Emergency account,                                | 277.63       |
| Town officers' salaries,                          | 790.00       |
| Wildcat bounty,                                   | 10.00        |
| Old-age assistance,                               | 84.84        |
| Welfare,  | 531.47       |
| Bonds, town officers,                             | 33.75        |
| Reserve fund,                                     | 225.22       |
| Snow removal and sanding,                         | 442.00       |
| Snow-fence,                                       | 144.75       |
| Winter rutting,                                   | 190.00       |
| Railing and bridges,                              | 304.64       |
| Dog tax,  | 73.20        |
| Excise tax abatement,                             | 14.65        |
| County tax,                                       | 414.13       |
| Tax demands,                                      | 8.40         |
| State tax,  | 510.00       |
| Library,  | 34.52        |
| Cemeteries,                                       | 15.00        |
| Auditing municipal accounts,                      | 20.77        |
| State parks and reservations,                     | 4.73         |
| Veterans' exemption,                              | 1.22         |
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| Bank balance,                                     | \$ 16,699.22 |
|   | 5.99         |
|   | <hr/>        |
|   | \$ 16,705.21 |
| Due from state treasurer, Chapter 81,             | \$ 924.46    |
| Due from state treasurer, Chapter 90,             | 974.35       |
| Due from state treasurer, Chapter 90, Falls road, | 2,183.35     |
| Due from county treasurer, Chapter 90,            | 1,000.00     |
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|   | \$ 5,082.36  |
|   | 5.99         |
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| Balance, December 31, 1938,                       |              |
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| Working balance for 1939,                         | \$ 5,088.35  |
| Respectfully submitted,                           |              |
| P. M. WEAVER, Treasurer.                          |              |

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births recorded in 1938, none; marriages recorded in 1938, none;  
deaths recorded in 1938, none.

Town officers sworn, 30.

Number of registered voters: women 17, men 22.

Dogs Registered in 1938

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 25 males @ \$2.00,         | \$ 50.00 |
| 4 females @ \$5.00,        | 20.00    |
| 5 spayed females @ \$2.00, | 10.00    |
|                            | <hr/>    |
|                            | \$ 80.00 |
| Clerk's fees, 34 @ .20,    | 6.80     |
|                            | <hr/>    |
| Paid to town treasurer,    | \$ 73.20 |

Hunting and Fishing Licenses Issued

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Series 1, resident citizen's fishing, 5 @ \$2.00,             | \$ 10.00  |
| Series 2, resident citizen's hunting, 5 @ \$2.00,             | 10.00     |
| Series 3, resident citizen's sporting, 13 @ \$3.25,           | 42.25     |
| Series 4, resident citizen's female and minor, 4 @ \$1.25,    | 5.00      |
| Series 6, resident citizen's trapping, 1 @ \$5.25,            | 5.25      |
| Series 7, resident citizen's sporting, over 70 yrs., free, 1. |           |
| Series 8, non-resident special fishing, 6 @ \$1.50,           | 9.00      |
| Series 10, non-resident fishing, 5 @ \$5.25,                  | 26.25     |
| Series 11, non-resident hunting, 18 @ \$10.25,                | 184.50    |
| Series 12, non-resident sporting, 3 @ \$15.25,                | 45.75     |
|   | <hr/>     |
|   | \$ 338.00 |
| Clerk's fee, 60 @ .25,  | 15.00     |
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|---|-----------|
| Paid Division of Fisheries and Game,    | \$ 323.00 |
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| Gasoline licenses, 2 @ \$1.00,          | \$ 2.00   |
| Victuallers' and inn-keepers' licenses, | 12.50     |
|   | <hr/>     |
| Paid to town treasurer,                 | \$ 14.50  |

SEALER'S REPORT

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Two gasoline pumps @ .50, | \$ 1.00 |
| One spring scales,        | .10     |
|                           | <hr/>   |
| Paid to town treasurer,   | \$ 1.10 |

GREAT BARRINGTON SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS  
SCHOOL FUND

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| On deposit January 1, 1938, | \$ 161.72 |
| Withdrawn September 5,      | 61.72     |
|                             | <hr/>     |
|                             | \$ 100.00 |
| Interest one year,          | 3.29      |
|                             | <hr/>     |
| On deposit January 1, 1939, | \$ 103.29 |

MINISTERIAL FUND

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| On deposit January 1, 1938, | \$ 1,073.92 |
| Interest one year,          | 27.00       |
|                             | <hr/>       |
| On deposit January 1, 1939, | \$ 1,100.92 |

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1938

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Chapter 90 roads,     | \$ 500.00   |
| Chapter 81 roads,     | 1,000.00    |
| Railings and bridges, | 450.00      |
| Snow and sanding,     | 600.00      |
| Snow-fence,           | 350.00      |
| Libraries,            | 35.00       |
| Cemeteries,           | 15.00       |
| Emergency account,    | 350.00      |
| Winter rutting,       | 200.00      |
| Schools,              | 4,036.64    |
| Town officers,        | 700.00      |
| Welfare,              | 400.00      |
| Old-age assistance,   | 720.00      |
| Reserve fund,         | 350.00      |
|                       | <hr/>       |
|                       | \$ 9,706.64 |

Respectfully submitted,  
P. M. WEAVER,

Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| 1935 general tax to collect January 1, 1938,      | \$ .50      |
| Collected by W. A. Hunt,                          | .50         |
| 1936 general tax to collect January 1, 1938,      | \$ 3.78     |
| Collected,  | 3.78        |
| 1937 general tax to collect January 1, 1938,      | \$ 848.37   |
| Collected by W. A. Hunt,                          | \$ 326.77   |
| Collected by tax collector,                       | 521.65      |
|   | <hr/>       |
|   | *848.42     |
| 1938 general tax,                                 | \$ 5,042.45 |
| Collected,  | 4,166.78    |
|   | <hr/>       |
| Balance to collect,                               | \$ 875.67   |
| 1936 motor excise tax to collect January 1, 1938, | \$ 28.03    |
| Collected,  | \$ 17.35    |
| Abatement,  | 10.68       |
|   | <hr/>       |
|   | 28.03       |
| 1937 motor excise to collect January 1, 1938,     | \$ 68.66    |
| Collected by W. A. Hunt,                          | \$ 40.33    |
| Collected by collector,                           | 28.33       |
|   | <hr/>       |
|   | 68.66       |
| 1938 excise tax,                                  | \$ 201.60   |
| Collected,  | 201.60      |
| Interest on general taxes,                        | \$ 30.80    |
| Interest on motor excise,                         | \$ 4.40     |
| Interest on tax demands,                          | \$ 8.40     |

Respectfully submitted,

MERVIN P. WHITBECK,

\*plus .05 cents.

Tax Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

All receipts and disbursements of the Town Treasurer have been examined in items and aggregates, and compared with assessors' warrants and lists, with Selectmen's orders and cash and bank balances. The books and accounts of the Collector of Taxes have been similarly examined, and compared with assessors' warrants, lists and with items and aggregates recorded in the books of the Treasurer. The items and aggregates of the accounts of the Treasurer and of the Collector of Taxes are believed to be correct in all respects.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. HAMILTON,

January 16, 1939.

Town Auditor.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
AND THE  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
OF THE TOWN OF  
MOUNT WASHINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1938

## COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Mount Washington

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| P. M. WEAVER, Chairman, 1938, | Copake Falls, N. Y. R. F. D.  |
| MILDRED HOUGHTALING, 1940,    | Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D. |
| RUSSELL WHITBECK, 1939,       | Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D. |

Attendance Officer  
HOWARD PORTER

School Physician  
SOUTH BERKSHIRE HEALTH UNIT

School Nurse  
SOUTH BERKSHIRE HEALTH UNIT

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Mount Washington:

The expenditures incurred by the School Department, a statement of various reimbursements, together with the budget for 1939, are herewith submitted.

After nine years of faithful service, Charles L. Stephenson resigned his position as Superintendent of Schools, and Alfred R. Kenyon of Stow was unanimously elected by the members of the School Union, to take his place. We are pleased to report that our school is showing the result of good supervision.

It is a pleasure to report the improved physical condition of the school building, due to the installation of a chemical toilet.

The building now is in a properly sanitary condition and the committee is duly grateful to so state.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. WEAVER, Chairman,  
MILDRED HOUGHTALING,  
RUSSELL WHITBECK,  
School Committee.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Mount Washington:

I herewith submit for your consideration my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools, together with statistical reports for our information and that of the citizens.

The work of the past year has continued in a regular and satisfactory manner.

The pupils attending Roeliff Jansen Central School and Searles High School have achieved creditable records which speaks well for our school.

I appreciate the co-operation which the teacher and committee have shown, and the cordiality with which we have been received in the towns of this union.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED R. KENYON,  
Superintendent.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                      | \$ 3,925.00 |
| Expenditures,                       | 3,700.74    |
| Balance, January 1, 1939,           | \$ 224.26   |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                 |             |
| Paid teacher's salary,              | \$ 916.00   |
| Supervision,                        | 323.16      |
| Text-books,                         | 15.13       |
| Supplies,                           | 22.96       |
| General administration,             | 23.24       |
| Janitors and cleaning,              | 35.29       |
| Fuel,                               | 65.98       |
| Miscellaneous operating expenses,   | 40.07       |
| Repairs,                            | 119.26      |
| Transportation, elementary,         | 887.50      |
| Transportation, high,               | 699.20      |
| Tuition,                            | 496.00      |
| New grounds and buildings,          | 28.00       |
| New equipment,                      | 28.95       |
| Total,                              | \$ 3,700.74 |
| <b>EXPENDITURES CLASSIFIED</b>      |             |
| Teacher's Salary:                   |             |
| Paid Margaret Maher,                | \$ 916.00   |
| Supervision:                        |             |
| Paid Charles L. Stephenson, salary, | \$ 106.64   |
| Charles L. Stephenson, expense,     | 23.16       |
|                                     | \$ 129.80   |
| Alfred R. Kenyon, salary,           | \$ 166.64   |
| Alfred R. Kenyon, expense,          | 26.72       |
|                                     | \$ 193.36   |
|                                     | \$ 323.16   |
| Text-books:                         |             |
| Paid The Macmillan Co.,             | \$ 3.50     |
| Charles Scribner's Sons,            | 11.63       |
|                                     | \$ 15.13    |
| Supplies:                           |             |
| Paid Cascade Paper Co.,             | \$ .61      |
| Cassidy Brothers,                   | 4.50        |
| T. B. Keating Co.,                  | 3.00        |
| J. L. Hammett Co.,                  | 1.00        |
| P. M. Weaver,                       | 4.20        |

## EXPENDITURES (Continued)

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Howard Porter,            | \$ 7.00   |
| H. M. Finkle,                  | .95       |
| E. B. Weaver,                  | 1.70      |
|                                | \$ 22.96  |
| General Administration:        |           |
| Paid M. T. Wallace,            | \$ 15.20  |
| Wright & Potter Printing Co.,  | 2.35      |
| Harold Shook,                  | 2.43      |
| John Shook,                    | .70       |
| Berkshire Courier,             | 2.21      |
| M. G. Sturtevant,              | .35       |
|                                | \$ 23.24  |
| Transportation, Elementary:    |           |
| Paid Mervin Whitbeck,          | \$ 887.50 |
| Transportation, High:          |           |
| Paid Harriett Isaacson,        | \$ 142.40 |
| Elizabeth Melius,              | 142.40    |
| Doris VanDeusen,               | 105.60    |
| Lucille VanDeusen,             | 115.20    |
| Alfred VanDeusen,              | 53.60     |
| Mary Porter,                   | 140.00    |
|                                | \$ 699.20 |
| Tuition:                       |           |
| Paid town of Sheffield,        | \$ 100.00 |
| Town of Great Barrington,      | 116.00    |
| Roeliff Jansen Central School, | 280.00    |
|                                | \$ 496.00 |
| New Grounds and Buildings:     |           |
| Paid Norman Melius,            | \$ 28.00  |
| New Equipment:                 |           |
| Paid Montgomery-Ward,          | \$ 28.95  |

## RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend the following budget for 1939, to be expended approximately as follows:

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| General Control:         |           |
| Superintendency,         | \$ 340.00 |
| General administration,  | 10.00     |
| Expense of Instruction:  |           |
| Teacher,                 | 1,000.00  |
| Text-books,              | 15.00     |
| Supplies,                | 15.00     |
| Operating School Plants: |           |
| Janitor,                 | 25.00     |

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

|                         |    |          |  |
|-------------------------|----|----------|--|
|                         | \$ | 3,925.00 |  |
|                         |    | 3,700.74 |  |
| 1, 1939,                | \$ | 224.26   |  |
| EXPENDITURES            |    |          |  |
| lary,                   | \$ | 916.00   |  |
|                         |    | 323.16   |  |
|                         |    | 15.13    |  |
|                         |    | 22.96    |  |
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| cleaning,               |    | 35.29    |  |
|                         |    | 65.98    |  |
| operating expenses,     |    | 40.07    |  |
|                         |    | 119.26   |  |
| on, elementary,         |    | 887.50   |  |
| igh,                    |    | 699.20   |  |
|                         |    | 496.00   |  |
| and buildings,          |    | 28.00    |  |
| ent,                    |    | 28.95    |  |
|                         | \$ | 3,700.74 |  |
| EXPENDITURES CLASSIFIED |    |          |  |
| Maher,                  | \$ | 916.00   |  |
| Stephenson, salary,     | \$ | 106.64   |  |
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|                         | \$ | 15.13    |  |
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| thers,                  |    | 4.50     |  |
| ig Co.,                 |    | 3.00     |  |
| ett Co.,                |    | 1.00     |  |
| ver,                    |    | 4.20     |  |

In view of the fact that the original appropriation was ample to cover the needs of the school for the year 1938, the committee was able to return the special appropriation, plus the dog tax to the town, bringing the total amount returned to \$235.90.

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|                                |    |        |  |
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| Alfred VanDeusen,              |    | 53.60  |  |
| Mary Porter,                   |    | 140.00 |  |
|                                | \$ | 699.20 |  |
| Tuition:                       |    |        |  |
| Paid town of Sheffield,        | \$ | 100.00 |  |
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| Text-books,              |    | 15.00    |
| Supplies,                |    | 15.00    |
| Operating School Plants: |    |          |
| Janitor,                 |    | 25.00    |

RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Fuel,                       | \$ 100.00   |
| Miscellaneous,              | 30.00       |
| Maintenance:                |             |
| Repairs and replacements,   | 100.00      |
| Auxiliary Agencies:         |             |
| Health,                     |             |
| Transportation, high,       | 750.00      |
| Transportation, elementary, | 850.00      |
| Other Expenses:             |             |
| Tuition,                    | 520.00      |
| Total,                      | \$ 3,755.00 |

REIMBURSEMENTS

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Total Expenses for 1938,    | \$ 3,700.74 |
| Reimbursements:             |             |
| General school fund,        | \$ 100.00   |
| Massachusetts school fund,  | 735.05      |
| Superintendent of schools,  | 188.85      |
| High school transportation, | 589.40      |
| Dog tax,                    | 49.92       |
| Vocational tuition,         | 10.24       |
| Total reimbursements,       | 1,673.46    |
| Cost to the town,           | \$ 2,027.28 |